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In re Application of:

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POLYNUCLEOTIDE COMPOSITIONS

ENCODING S-ADENOSYL-L-

METHIONINE:PHOSPHOETHANOLAMINE

N-METHYLTRANSFERASE AND

METHODS FOR MODULATING LIPID

BIOSYNTHESIS IN PLANTS

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO **OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2001**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including May 20, 2002 in which to respond to the Office Action dated July 3, 2001.

The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fee for a three month extension of time (\$460.00) and any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 required relating to the enclosed materials from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4300.012700.

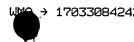
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